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Dear Congressman Edwards,

I'm sorry you have not responded to my inquiry about the printed volumes of the Judiciary committee's impeachment material. I'm no kidding you if I said it is essential to my writing. But I would very much like to have it as a check on quotes and as part of the archive that will come to rest in one of several colleges.

You and other Members on who it will get be visitors will soon receive a copy of the fourth of my WHITEWASH series on the JFK assassination. This one is based on a long-withheld and perjured about TOP SECRET Warren commission executive session transcript that began as a deliberation on what to do about reports that Oswald was a federal agent and wound up with the ~~[illegible]~~ thorough-going self-denunciation of all speeks by Allen Dulles.

Please excuse my weariness as reflected in poorer than usual typing. The past six weeks have been rather taxing on the Ray hearing mandated by the 6th circuit court of appeals. My young colleague, Jim Lesar, and I were run pretty ragged on unprecedented discovery rights, followed by the time-pressured hearings my notes on which I've just finished typing, looking forward to a trial. We came up with what makes the Constitutional violations in the Russo (Ellsberg) case look pale.

When we can find a Member who will undertake to distribute this book for us or can hire kids to do it we will be distributing them on the Hill, pre-pub. We had to abandon this book for the Ray work. But now we feel Members need it for the coming effort to override the Freedom of Information amendments veto. (You may recall that one of my suits is the first of those listed as the need for the Hart amendment.)

There is in this book, by the way, a fairly full story about how your former Minority leader cribbed this TOP SECRET transcript, sold it for profit, lied under oath about it in his confirmation hearings, and edited it without indicating my alteration.

The work on this book, what I had to suspend on a different Watergate book (with much not, apparently, considered by your committee) and this Ray work is what kept me on a 20-hour day.

I have an immediate purpose in writing. I've not been able to catch up on who is on what subcommittee and your committee appears to be occupied with the Rockefeller nomination. Well, when I was in O.S.S. I was in charge of some work that was done for his use at Chapultepec, Mexico, the Western Hemisphere preparations for the organization of the United Nations. I was in charge of the economic part. This came from my prior writing about Nazi cartels before I was in O.S.S. The Peron dictatorship of that day was thoroughly Nazi. It continued into the military, part of which was my work.

This pretty definitive research project was prepared for Rockefeller's use. He avoided not to use it and the Western Hemisphere status decided not to go ahead Argentina's admission into the UN. Then. This changed before the San Francisco meeting.

I can't evaluate how Members today will regard Rockefeller's support of a Nazi dictatorship during World War II. But I think your committee should know about it. He's probably claim not to remember after all these years. But State has records. Others can decide whether it is relevant to his becoming the second appointed Vice President.

If the files are ransacked for you, they should produce evidence of Rose having private jails in Venezuela. I wrote one of the interview reports. No judicial determinations. Corporate only. Rockefeller's corporation's.

Sincerely,
Harold Weisberg

P.S. It was evening before I had a chance to look at this morning's Post. While it probably is not within the jurisdiction of the Judiciary committee, Michael Getler's story on General Brown and his anti-Semitic remarks also carry me back to those World War II days.

There was then a time when I obtained the files of the Washington office of the native Nazi outfit of that day, the Silvert Shirts. They purveyed, among other infamy, The Elders Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion, a Czarist fake used to defame Jews.

They had as a base the office of a Montana Congressman of that period, an extremist named Thorkelson, Montana Republican.

Those files indicated a plan for a military take-over by the Army, plotted by an earlier Brown named Malin-Craig, then also chief of staff.

I gave these files to the FBI.

Not unexpectedly, when they were returned the Malin-Craig/Thorkelson papers were missing.

Because this was before the days of xeroxes and because I expected the FBI to keep that material, I made it available to an anti-Nazi writer of that day, Jack Spivack, most of whose writing appeared in the left-wing press. Perhaps The New Masses, a Communist magazine.

If the Library onf Congress can't provide this writing, and I don't think the FBI will make it available, the last I heard of Spivack he lives in Bucks County, Pa.

I don't think it would hurt the country in this Watergate era to know that there are those in high position who regard racism as something other than racism. And those in military control who are without understanding of either racism or authoritarianism.

While I do not believe that any exemption of the Freedom of Information law would be applicable to this material, I can't take the time to request it now.

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